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Transmitted herewith is an amendment to the above-identified application.

X Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

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Total Claims	60	-	* 69	=	***	x	9	18	=	0
Indepen- dent Claims	9	-	** 12	=	***	x	39	78	=	0
Multiple Dependent Claims(s) Presented <u> </u> Yes <u>X</u> No For First Time:							130	260		0
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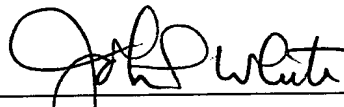
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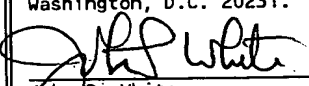
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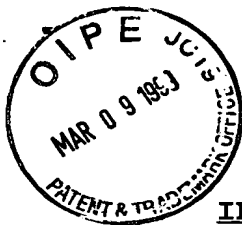
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-9 without prejudice to applicants right to pursue the subject matter in a later-filed application.

Please amend claim 10 under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121(b) by deleting the bracketed material and inserting the underlined material as follows:

a1 10. (Amended) A host cell comprising [the] a replicable vector
[of claim 8] comprising an isolated nucleic acid
molecule encoding EN-RAGE peptide.

REMARKS

Claims 1-69 were pending in the subject application. Applicants